

Mr. Edwin B. Coleman
Sheriff, Alcorn County
Corinth, Mississippi 38834.

10 October 1978

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Dear Sheriff Coleman:

This letter pertains to the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr homicide and related matter as follows:

On April 1, 1968, I checked into a Motel in Corinth, Mississippi, and departed the following morning. Until just recently I assumed the authorities knew this consequently I never asked anyone to check into the matter. Now I learn the authorities believe I was else where April 1st.

My reason(s) for this letter is to enquire if your office has a record, through perhaps a routine check of cars registered in Motels on the aforementioned date, of the automobile I was driving. It was a 1966 Mustang registered under the name of Eric S. Galt; Alabama tag no. B 8993.

Also, asuming Motels have to be licensed by the city or county in Mississippi, would either of those Governments require Motels to retain, or furnish them to retain, a list of the Motel Guests ? possibly for tax purposes.

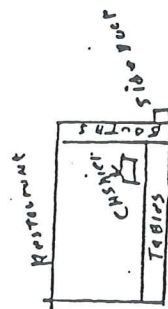
Finally any other information about the above subject from your office would be very much appreciated, such as the 1968 Owner of the Motel I stayed in (see diagram attached), providing the Diagram can be matched with the Motel.

Sincerely:

James E. Ray

from Dip.

2. Not sure about restaurant at just
how far from Motel. Restaurant even
with motel ± believe. 2 had breakfast there.



West side of road

OVER-

Main Highway

DIP IN Highway



press (apparently a highway)



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